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MacArthur Wins A Policy Victory

Washington, June 10.—The Far Eastern Commission has given the Supreme Allied Commander, General Douglas MacArthur, blanket authority to send Japanese abroad to attend inter-governmental conferences.

This was a policy victory for General MacArthur and the United States and a defeat for those nations which wanted General MacArthur to secure Commission approval on each case as it came up. The FEC decision was communicated to General MacArthur today after the Commission had agreed on it late yesterday. Commission sources said it apparently paved the way for FEC approval of two other American proposals, one to send Japanese students abroad to receive education and one to permit international travel by Japanese businessmen.

ONE STIPULATION

The Commission directive authorized General MacArthur to send SCAP observers abroad to any inter-governmental conference to which he was invited to send representatives and permitted him to have Japanese technical personnel accompany the observers if he wished.

The only qualification is that the country in which the conference is being held would have to give its permission for the Japanese to enter.

The effect of the Commission decision was to give its formal blessing to a procedure which the United States had adopted on a temporary unilateral basis. FEC sources said it was the United States' firm intention to handle the matter unilaterally which forced the Commission to decide that it might as well give formal approval.

General MacArthur is also using the same unilateral technique under an interim directive from the United States Government, to send Japanese businessmen on economic missions.

Union Jacks Burnt
Calcutta, June 10.—Two Union Jacks were burnt in Calcutta today by small groups of people who resented their being hoisted with the Indian national flag to celebrate King George's birthday. The police alleged that in both cases Communists burnt the British flags.

Malaya Beset By Campaign Of Violence

HIGH COMMISSIONER ASKS FOR INCREASED POWERS

London, June 10.—An authoritative Whitehall source said today that the Communists have organised "a highly sustained and well directed campaign of violence in Malaya which has assumed the scale of a resistance movement."

He claimed the Malayan Communists are seeking "to oust British rule" from the colony.

Sir Edward Gent, High Commissioner of the Pacific territory, has called on Colonial Secretary Arthur Creech Jones for increased powers to restore law and order and to combat the movement, he said.

"The British Government is taking a serious view of the situation and will accede to this request," he added.

Armed Quiet In The Holy Land

Cairo, June 10.—Armed quiet began settling in the Middle East today after the 26 days of Palestine war.

But a jarring approach to the Friday truce hour was provided by discordant notes and belated offensives on four fronts which continued at least through Wednesday night when both sides tried to improve their strategic positions.

The Lebanese government authorized the seizure of all Israeli-bound shipments touching Beirut. Israeli in accepting the truce, already had declared any Arab attempt to confiscate or hold up cargoes would be regarded as a "war-like act."

Trigon Zval Leumi, which already has threatened to disregard any truce in Jerusalem, broadcast that the Israeli government's "great blunder" of the truce was a "great blunder."

Secretary-General Abdel Rahman Azzam Pasha of the Arab League declared the truce did not mean war would not be resumed if the Jews "insist on creation of a Zionist state."

ARABS PUZZLED
Dispatches from Amman, the Trans-Jordan capital, said the Arab people appeared puzzled by their

ON THE DEFENSIVE

This only eyewitness account of fighting in the sector said a brigade of about 5,000 men of the Arab Legion was on the defensive on a mountain top position north of the road. An equal or larger force of Hagana, the dispatch said, had won the highlands south of the road and cleared bloody Buh el Wad gorge to the east in the three weeks' battle. But a five mile stretch of the highway east of the Latrun promontory was described as no man's land, swept by the guns of both sides. Hagana was reported driving hard with artillery and night assault to secure the remaining line of road. But their only path to Jerusalem was a circuitous and gun-swept back mountain trail which could be traversed only by jeep, mule or on foot.

BLOCKADE OFFER

London, June 10.—The British who for two years blocked Palestine's coast against illegal Jewish immigrants, may offer to do the same for the United Nations during the four week Arab-Jewish truce.

A Foreign Office spokesman said today that the government is "considering" providing an air and sea watch over the coasts of Palestine to ensure that the truce terms will be observed.

He did not indicate when a decision would be expected on the offer, which if accepted, would mark Britain's first new commitment in Palestine since she surrendered her League of Nations mandate.

The United States, France and Belgium—and Sweden in a liaison role, were represented on the existing truce commission assigned to aid in controlling the cease-fire due on Friday.

The spokesman, in reply to a question, said he was unable to say immediately whether Britain's possible offer was spontaneous or the result of a United Nations request.

The terms of the truce lay down that neither fighting personnel nor military materials should be introduced into Palestine during the cease-fire period.

Mr Creech Jones is expected to make a statement on Malaya to the Commons next Wednesday in reply to five parliamentary questions.

The Whitehall official claimed the British had evidence that the Communists in Northern Malaya were crossing the frontier into Siam "more or less at random and at will."

The British Cabinet's concern over the matter was underlined by the decision, announced on Wednesday, to re-establish the neighbouring colony of Singapore as the Commonwealth's main naval bastion in the Pacific.

COMMUNISTS CHARGED

The Whitehall source charged the Communists, who he said were mainly Chinese with:

- 1—"Banditry, armed violence, attacks on European estate managers, and virtual guerrilla warfare."
- 2—"Penetrating into the trades union movements not only in Malaya but also in Singapore where industrial unrest has been expressed in a large number of strikes."
- 3—"Being extremely well armed."
- 4—"Haiding and wiping out a whole Malayan village recently, which he did not identify."

Communications, transport and police services dislocated during the Japanese occupation have never been adequately restored," he said, but the government's first task will be to reinforce the police.

TOTAL BAN
Drastic legal action with a total ban on the Communist Party being imposed also will be taken to restore law and order, but British troops will be used only in an emergency.

The source said that adequate forces are on the spot for military duties but added that the police force in Malaya may be reinforced. Communist activities and influences in Malaya formed the subject of a recent Cabinet discussion. On its heels came an appeal from Mr Malcolm MacDonald, Commissioner-General of Southeast Asia to the more "moderate" elements of Malaya to help the government stamp out Communist influence.

BANDITS IN ACTION

Singapore, June 10.—Troops and police were rushed tonight to the area near Kluang, 60 miles north of Singapore, after armed bandits had looted the railway station and the entire village of Niyor, six miles north of Kluang.

Niyor is on the main line between Singapore and Kuala Lumpur. It is a small village and has no police station.

Record Film Output Planned

London, June 10.—The J. Arthur Rank film organisation plans a record-breaking release of 60 motion pictures, costing \$10,000,000 during the year beginning October, it was disclosed today.

Rigid economy measures permitted the organisation to schedule shootings for almost twice the number of films completed last year. The pictures will include comedies and musicals.

Big Blaze In Chiang's Home Town

Shanghai, June 11.—A belated Chinese report said that an area of Chiang Kai-shek's home town, Feng Hwa, was almost totally destroyed in a five-hour fire on June 7. A fire engine rushed from Ningpo, 30 miles away, to aid fighting the blaze.

Chiang's residence, however, escaped damage, since it is located outside the city.

CLOSE OF PLAY TEST MATCH SCORES

At the close of play on the first day of the first Test match between England and Australia at Trent Bridge yesterday, England were all out for 165 and Australia had scored 17 without loss.

Highlight of the England innings was the splendid batting of Jim Laker who compiled 63, and with Alec Bedser, also of Surrey, added 89 runs for the ninth wicket. Johnston, 5 for 36, was the most destructive of the Australian bowlers demoralised England's leading batsmen.

Full description of the day's play, and detailed scores, will be found on Page 6.

BLANKET REPRIEVE ORDER REVOKED

London, June 10.—The Home Secretary, Mr Chuter Ede, today revoked his blanket reprieve for all murderers. He told the House of Commons that he would consider all future cases on their merits "in the light of all circumstances at the time."

Reprieves granted five murderers since he announced the blanket commutation on April 16 still stand however.

Mr Ede decided on a general reprieve for all murderers either under the death sentence or subsequently sentenced to death after the House of Commons approved a trial abolition of capital punishment for five years as part of the penal reform bill.

The decision was almost unanimously condemned by the nation's press and public opinion polls because of the postwar increase in murders. When the bill reached the House of Lords last week, the Upper House restored the death penalty.

COMPROMISE FORMULA

The Labour Government persuaded its Party members in the House of Commons yesterday to accept a compromise formula. This would retain the death penalty only for murderers of Police officers and Prison wardens and certain other categories of killers. Other

murderers would be given penal servitude. The House of Commons as a whole along with the House of Lords is expected to approve a compromise formula later.

It was expected that Mr Ede in the meantime would be guided by a compromise formula in his consideration of murder cases.

Mr Ede took cognisance in the House of Commons of the charge by the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Goddard, that he had violated the Bill of Rights of 1689 by arbitrarily suspending an existing law.

"My answer to that charge is simply this," Mr Ede said. "While it is of high importance to avoid even the appearance of infringing a high constitutional principle, it is also important that the public should be aware of the general principles upon which the Government would be advised in exercise of a reprieve."

He said the situation changed with the House of Lords action, however, and he would consider future cases on their merits.

JUDGES' ACTION

Mr Ede disclaimed responsibility for the change in the ancient formula of pronouncing death sentence. Since the blanket reprieve, judges have abandoned the custom of donning the black cap before pronouncing the death sentence and no longer add the condemned man "shall be hanged by the neck until dead" and "may the Lord have mercy on his soul."

Mr Ede said the change was decided upon by the judges themselves and it was up to them whether to revert to the former custom.

Five men whose lives were saved by Mr Ede's blanket reprieve, included Donald George Thomas who killed the first London policeman to be slain on duty in more than 30 years, and James Camb, steamship steward who pushed the body of a woman passenger through a porthole. Thomas would have been hanged even under the terms of the compromise formula.

The fifth reprieve was granted only today. It was given to Frank Kilburn who was sentenced to death on May 4 for the murder of a Yorkshire farmer. However, the jury had recommended for mercy in his case.

Export Target In Danger

COAL OUTPUT IN BRITAIN FALLS

London, June 10.—The Fuel Minister, Mr Hugh Gaitskell, warned today that the falling coal production and increased home consumption is endangering Britain's coal export programme.

He told a Press conference: "I must warn you that we are at a critical moment in our affairs. Achievement of the coal export programme is in the balance and nothing but sustained effort on the part of all concerned can bring us through."

"Though the open cast output had been higher, deepmined output had been below what we had hoped and wanted. The result is that we are now getting behind in our progress towards the 1948 target for the deepmined output of 200,000,000 tons."

THE ALTERNATIVES

"If we cannot reach the target we shall have either to cut home consumption or reduce our export programme. If we have to reduce exports it would be bad because of the effect on our long term export prospects."

He said that coal production has been more than 100,000 tons a week short of the goal. The export target alone is 350,000 tons a week for the rest of the year.

Mr Gaitskell also disclosed that new coal export agreements have been negotiated with Belgium, Brazil, France, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Spain.

—United Press.

Atomic Warfare A Challenge To The Churches

Birmingham, June 10.—Dr E. W. Barnes, Bishop of Birmingham, today said: "If so-called Christian churches become apologists of atomic warfare, those churches sooner or later will indignantly be repudiated by the enlightened conscience of the British people."

The Bishop asked his Diocesan Conference to consider anyone read Christ's teachings and feel that Our Lord would approve atomic warfare?

Dr Barnes said he had read "with absolute dismay" two reports on the subject by Commissions appointed by the Church of England.

He said that while use of the atomic bomb in Japan had been condemned by the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, it was "incredible to relate" that the British Commission had been divided on whether to condemn such action.

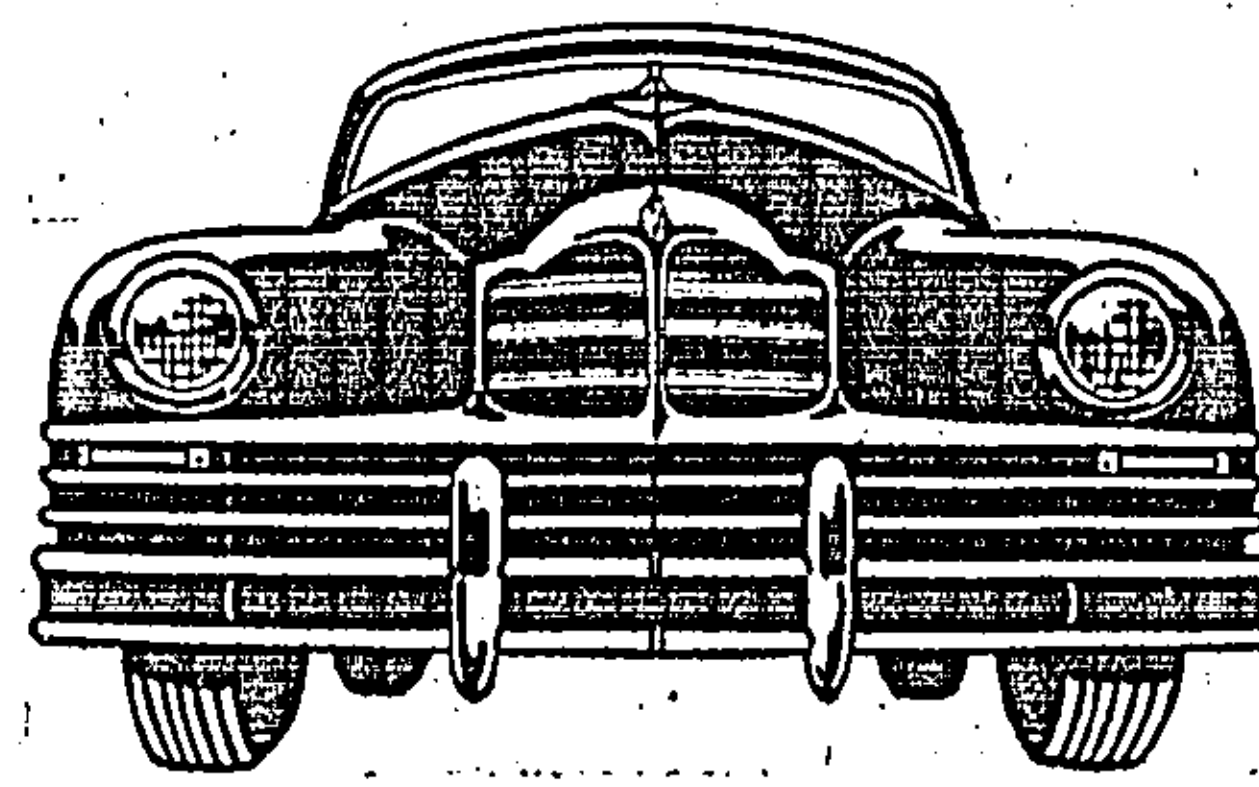
A second report just published, the Bishop added, contains a "considerable parade of learning, but no examination of the teaching of Christ."

EDITORIAL

Six-Power Agreement

TWO of the most important provisions contained in the six-power agreement, approval of which has been signified by the United States and Britain, are the establishment of a Constituent Assembly for Western Germany and the creation of an authority representing Britain, America, France and the Benelux countries, as well as Germany herself, to control the Ruhr industrial belt. It is laid down that the German constitution must conform to certain principles. The governmental structure must be federal in form, adequately protecting the rights of respective states, and, at the same time, it must provide adequate central authority and guarantee the rights and freedom of the states. It is also laid down that the Military Governors will authorize the constitution, if it is found not to conflict with these principles, to be submitted for ratification by the people in the various states. Here, for the first time, a broad framework has been established within which the Germans will have full liberty to work out for themselves the political institution under which they are to live. The Germans themselves will enjoy full responsibility for the working out of the constitutional programme, and the way becomes open for the Germans to re-establish the unity of their country on a free democratic basis. In this direction alone the six-power agreement is a notable achievement. Rather more complicated is the question of control of the Ruhr, with which is closely bound the subject of security, especially so far as France is concerned. Broadly speaking the proposition is that

Ruhr products shall be internationally controlled, with the international authority comprising representatives of the USA, United Kingdom, France, the Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany, making a division of coal, coke and steel from the Ruhr, taking into account the essential needs of Germany. With respect to security, three decisions have been reached: (1) there can be no general withdrawal of Allied occupation forces until the peace of Europe is secured; (2) disarmament, demilitarisation and control of the level of industry must be continued; (3) Germany must not again be permitted to become an aggressive power and that prior to a general withdrawal of the occupation forces, agreement is to be reached among the governments concerned with respect to the necessary measures of demilitarisation, disarmament and control of industry. It is of significance to observe how the United States has striven to meet French anxieties on the score of security— anxieties which, as Mr MacArthur has stated, are perfectly understandable. But the American affirmation that their troops will stay in Germany until the peace of Europe is secured, and the undertaking to consult if any of the governments concerned consider there is a danger of a German military revival, should afford the French as much protection as can reasonably be expected in the present circumstances. One thing the six-power agreement does is to confirm that the American stake in Europe will last as long as their troops stay in Germany, which means, until the European peace is assured.



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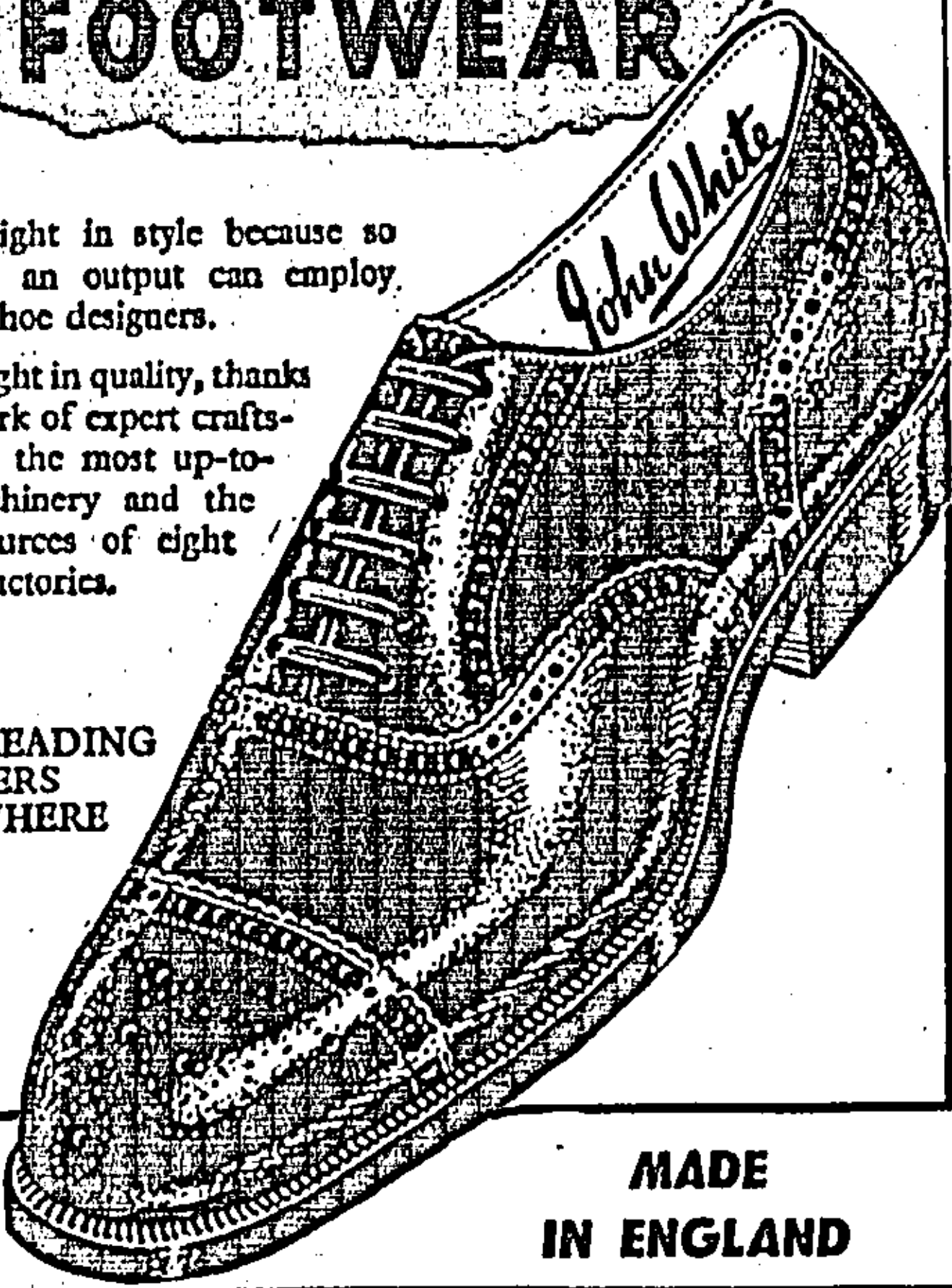
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Around The Town

with Mercia Hillaly

DRESSMAKERS and milliners had a busy time these last two weeks catering for yesterday's reception at Government House. A casual visit to any of the leading fashion houses would have rewarded you with at least one look at someone trying the New Look on for the occasion.

And with some laughs too. I found a dressmaker in visible distress over a dress fancied by her dyed-haired customer, who, buttoning up the fuzzy lace work on the blouse, happened to mention that she had an "invitation from the Governor".

"Madam," the dressmaker said, "do you think this will be suitable for the...?" "Oh yes," her client answered, "I am delighted with it. Very charming indeed." "But madam," persisted the good woman, "for the Garden Party?"

Light dawned at last. "Oh this, oh no, no, this will be for my cocktail party next week. I have a dress for the Garden Party. It is ten years old but," she added with a laugh, "it is in fashion again you know."

The milliner is less concerned with her customer's tastes. If madam thinks she can carry so much on her "garden" hat, and yet feel comfortable, it is her lookout. "Hats" as one very truly put it, "vary with the courage of one's clients."

I was visiting a friend up at the French Mission the other day and a chalked inscription on a wall was drawn to my notice.

"The wages of sin is death, But the wages of the Government servant is negligible."

A little ungrammatical perhaps, but sounds like the wit of a very bitter wag.

You may have noticed several little green triangular-shaped objects hanging in Chinese foodshops for the last week or so. They are the "rice-packets" Chinese eat during the Dragon Boat festival.

Made with very starchy rice and minced meat and bound firmly with bamboo leaves, they are delicious when eaten hot. You can also buy them sweetened with dates, to be eaten hot and, if preferred, with the addition of a little syrup.

Some folk never step near a dentist's office unless pain drives them to it. But I know a lady who goes regularly every six months for examination of her teeth.

Recommended to an American-trained Chinese dentist recently, she found a rare character. After checking over her teeth very carefully, he stepped to one side, put on his spectacles and looking out of the window said, quite dramatically, as if giving a speech, "Madam, my examination is over. I have the honour to inform you that your teeth are in most excellent order and there is nothing I can do about it."

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Strangers in Town



WINNING THE MALE VOTE SHE GETS MAIL VOTE, —And Miss America '47 Sets To Wed

By William J. Fox

Memphis, Tenn. BARBARA JO WALKER won the male vote as Miss America of 1947 and now she seems to be getting the mail vote.

Almost every day that postman staggers up to her home here with another batch of interesting reading matter from strangers most of whom, understandably, want to marry her.

The trouble is that Barbara is all set to marry Dr. John Hummel, with whom she was in love before winning her beauty title at Atlantic City last September. She sings in her church choir, teaches Sunday school and continues her studies at Memphis State College, from which she will be graduated in June.

But do those widely-reported facts discourage the distant suitors? Consider this one from Missouri (photo enclosed):

"I need a good wife. If you need a good man, please write." On this smiling suitor from West Virginia, he enclosed his picture too.

It's Dior's!



SUMMER EVENING

Simple ankle-length evening dress in white pique with lattice decoration. The designer? The inevitable black patent leather belt should give you the clue. It is Christian (New Look) Dior.

Food For Thought

Chilled canned peach juice is a good appetizer to serve before a ham dinner.

To cook bacon that is crisp and flat, bake in a hot oven (about 400 deg. F.) about 10 minutes, or until sufficiently browned to your taste. Watch to see that it doesn't burn.

When you have a small piece of cheddar cheese left over, wrap it snugly in a piece of waxed paper. Be sure to fold over the edges carefully and enclose it completely. Store in the refrigerator in a covered dish.

Evaporated milk mixed with an equal amount of water has the same food value as bottled milk and may be used in the same way.

Don't try to refreeze fish after thawing. It should be used as soon as possible after thawing.

No more than 1/4 tsp. is necessary when a recipe calls for a "dash" of seasoning.

For a change, try cream-of-mushroom gravy with roast chicken. Scrape the brown from the roasting pan and add 1/2 cup of water to the chicken drippings. Pour in a can of condensed cream of mushroom soup and stir.

Importance of Oral Hygiene



If you want a pretty smile, visit your dentist at regular intervals, says singing star Kitty Kallen.

By HELEN FOLLETT

It is impossible to pay too much attention to oral hygiene. Brushing the teeth is not as much fun as playing with the make-up props, but it is vitally more important. Rightly, there should be a thorough brushing after each meal to remove all foreign matter. Particles of food adhering between the teeth soon change in character, forming chemicals that are likely to cause decay. The brushing at bed time is particularly necessary. Hygienically, the health of the mouth and teeth may mean the health of the individual; cosmetically it has much to do with the loveliness of the countenance.

Lucky is the girl whose symmetrical outlines of mouth, teeth and jaws are perfectly moulded. One cannot change the bony formation of the face, but the mouth can assume a pleasing expression and teeth, with perfect daily care and professional attention, can be made a beauty asset.

Our teeth were given us to use; they are not merely ornamental. They need coarse food so that they

and the gums will be exercised. Eat bread crusts and raw vegetables. The first processes of digestion go on in the mouth. If the teeth are sensitive, mastication is not thorough. At the first sign of discomfort go to your dentist. Don't be a coward. By having a thorough examination and necessary repairs every six months you will be saving yourself money and discomfort.

We know that when any part of the body is systematically exercised, it develops greater strength and stability; when little or no exercise is indulged in, the parts weaken and diminish in strength and endurance. That means that you are not to limit yourself to soft foods. Eat raw carrots, cabbage hearts, celery, young onions.

Decay occurs more frequently in the double teeth, in which the formation of the enamel cup is irregular. In the little fissures food collects, ferments and erodes the outer covering, causing a cavity. For that reason you must brush the biting surfaces of your teeth, and brush them well.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

A Story All About Names

—Mr. Punch Tells It to Knarf and Hanid—

By MAX TRELL

MR PUNCH was reading a book when Knarf and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-around names, came into the room. He looked up with a smile as he greeted them.

"Is it a story book?" Knarf asked, pointing to the book. "Because if it is, I wish you'd read us a story from it, Mr. Punch!"

"It's a telephone book," said Mr. Punch. "It's filled with names of people. But there are stories in it just the same."

"How can there be stories in a book just filled with names?" Hanid asked curiously.

"Well," said Mr. Punch, "there are stories in the names. That's what I mean. Now take the name Smith, for instance. There's a story in the name Smith."

Long Ago

Knarf and Hanid wanted to know what the story was, and Mr. Punch said: "Long, long ago—hundreds and hundreds of years ago—people didn't have regular names—"

"Oh," Knarf interrupted, "if they didn't have regular names, what were they called?"

"That's just what I'm getting at," Mr. Punch went on. "They didn't have regular names. So they were called by the kind of work they did. Now, one of the most important work that anyone could do was to make iron shoes for horses, and iron tools, and iron fences, and steel swords, and any kind of work with iron and steel. They made it red-hot, and beat it into shape on an anvil. And the people who did 'Blacksmiths!' Hanid called out.

Mr. Punch nodded. "That's right, that kind of work were called—my dear. Only instead of being called blacksmiths (which is a pretty long name) they were called smiths. People would say—'Look, there goes the smiths! And, since all the smiths had first names, too, they would most often say: 'There goes Tom the Smith, or Jack the Smith, or Henry the Smith.' And finally people got around to saying: 'Look, there's Tom Smith, or Jack Smith, or Henry Smith!'"

Not Blacksmiths

"Yes," said Hanid doubtfully, "but how did girls get the name Smith, Mr. Punch? They weren't blacksmiths!"

No, they weren't blacksmiths. But if their fathers were Smiths, they were called Smith, too. And all the children were known as Smith. And it was the same with the bakers, the millers, the carpenters, the weavers, the farmers and the tailors. Because in this book," said Mr. Punch, "you will find Baker, and Miller, and Carpenter, and Weaver, and Farmer and Taylor."

Knarf said: "I heard of a man who was named after a river!"

"Indeed!" said Mr. Punch. "What was his name?"

"Hendrik Hudson!"

But Mr. Punch smiled again. "He wasn't named after a river, Knarf! Oh no! The Hudson River was named after him! He discovered it before it had that name at all!"

Junior Quiz

- 1—What are the cardinal points of the compass?
- 2—Who is the heroine of Dickens' "Old Curiosity Shop?"
- 3—What are octopodes?
- 4—Of what are United States 5-cent pieces made?
- 5—Green can be obtained by combining what two colours?
- 6—What and where is the Gobi?
- 7—What country has the largest number of Quakers?
- 8—Did Christ belong to the tribe of Judah or Israel?
- 9—For what queen were the Hanging Gardens of Babylon built?
- 10—Who were the seventh and tenth Presidents of the United States?

ANSWERS

- 1—North, east, south and west.
- 2—Little Nell.
- 3—South-American percent copper.
- 4—25 and 52 percent nickel.
- 5—A desert in Mongolia.
- 6—The United States.
- 7—Switzerland, wife of Nebuchadnezzar.
- 8—Judah.
- 9—Semeiramis, wife of Nebuchadnezzar.
- 10—Andrew Jackson and John Tyler.

Rupert's Island Adventure—9



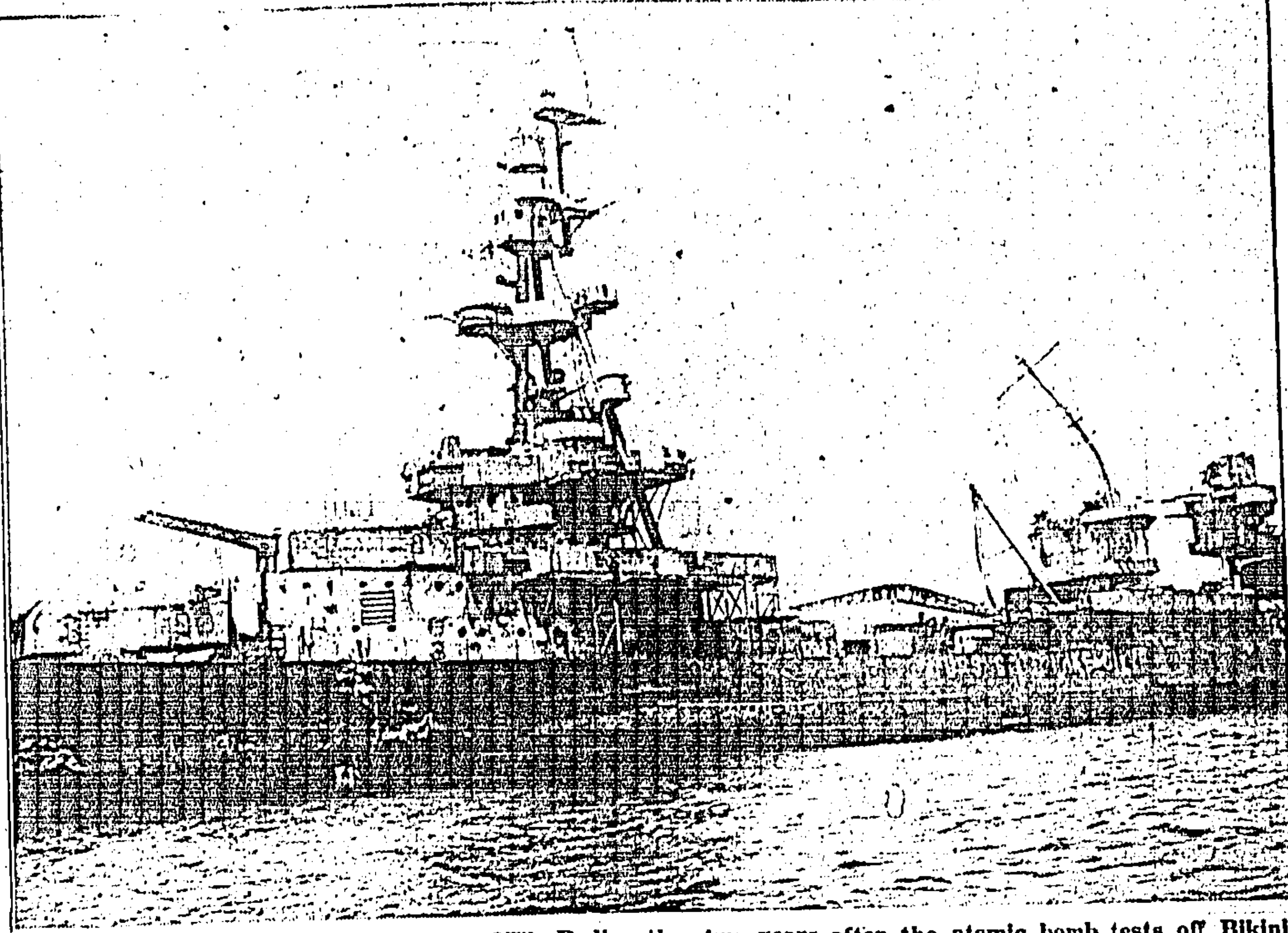
"Feeling very indignant, Rupert struggles free and helps Willie. To his surprise the foxes suddenly stop their jolly and run away at top speed. Gazing round, the little bear sees the figure of the strong little dwarf, the servant of the old professor, carrying a large parcel. 'What on earth are you up to?' cries the little man. When Rupert explains the trick that has been played on them, the dwarf does not laugh, but stares at them in a strange manner."

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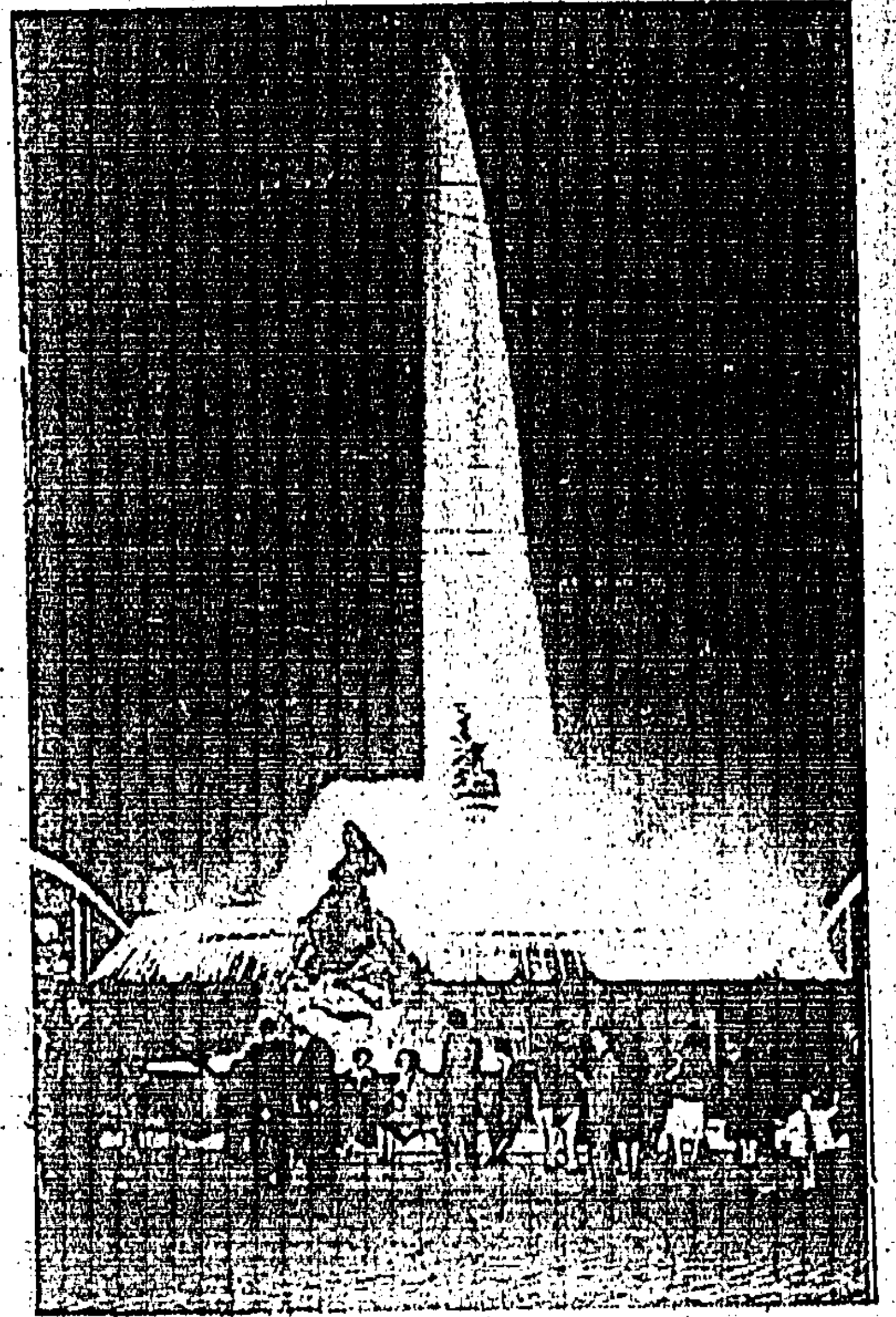
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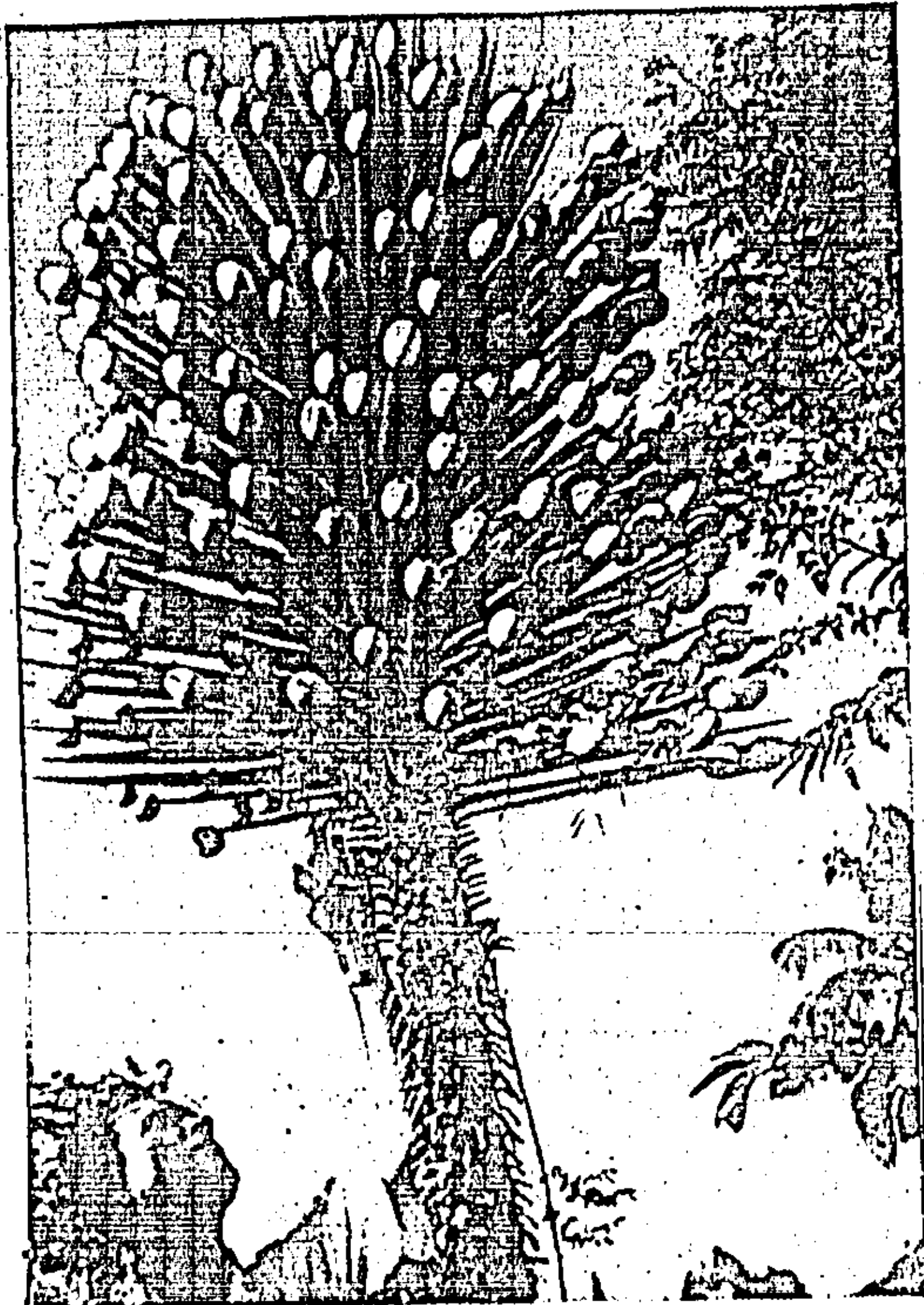
BOUQUET FOR THE QUEEN—Queen Elizabeth, wearing a flowing gown and fur cape, receives a bouquet from Lady Juliet Smith at the premiere in London of Sir Laurence Olivier's film production of "Hamlet." Other members of the Royal family also attended the show.



STILL "HOT"—Radioactive two years after the atomic bomb tests off Bikini in 1946, the cruiser USS Salt Lake City, bearing warning signs on its rusted sides, lies at anchor off the Terminal Island Naval Base awaiting disposition. The superstructure still bears evidence of the damage inflicted by the A-bomb blast.



IN HONOUR OF ITALIAN PRESIDENT—The Esedra Fountain in Rome aglow with floodlights in honour of Italy's new President, Luigi Einaudi. The city council voted to light Rome's famous fountains and monuments in his honour. A shortage of electricity prohibited the lavish floodlighting of prewar years.



EGGS DON'T GROW ON TREES—No, your eyes aren't deceiving you. It does look like eggs are growing on this tropical plant in Dorado, Puerto Rico, but they are actually only the shells, placed there to frighten off lizards that prey on plants.



FITS THE PART—Virginia Mayo wears eight bathing suits in her latest picture, which revolves around a summer resort. Since the studio's announcement that she was given the part, fans have sent the actress 97 suits.



THEIR DADDY HONOURED—In a ceremony at Washington's Pentagon Building, two young daughters of a deceased Corregidor hero—Daphne Seater (left) and her sister, Diane—are presented their father's war medals by Gen. Jonathan Walawright, who was forced to surrender the fortress six years ago. Also in the picture is Mrs Seater, wife of the hero, Lt James E. Seater, who died in a prison camp.



WHAT A MARKET!—A balloon vendor contemplates the prospective market offered by some of the 25 sets of triplets who, with their mothers, attended the third annual Mothers of Triplets Association convention at Pallsades Park, New Jersey. There was a contest to find the most photogenic triplets.

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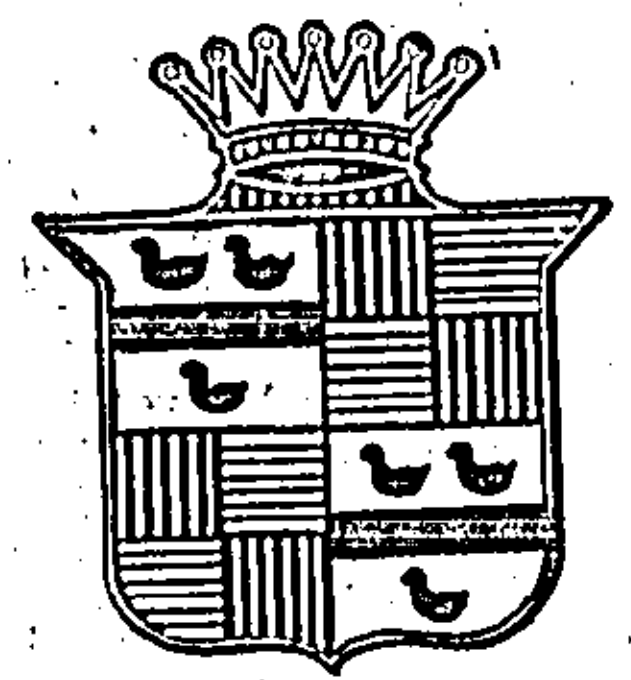
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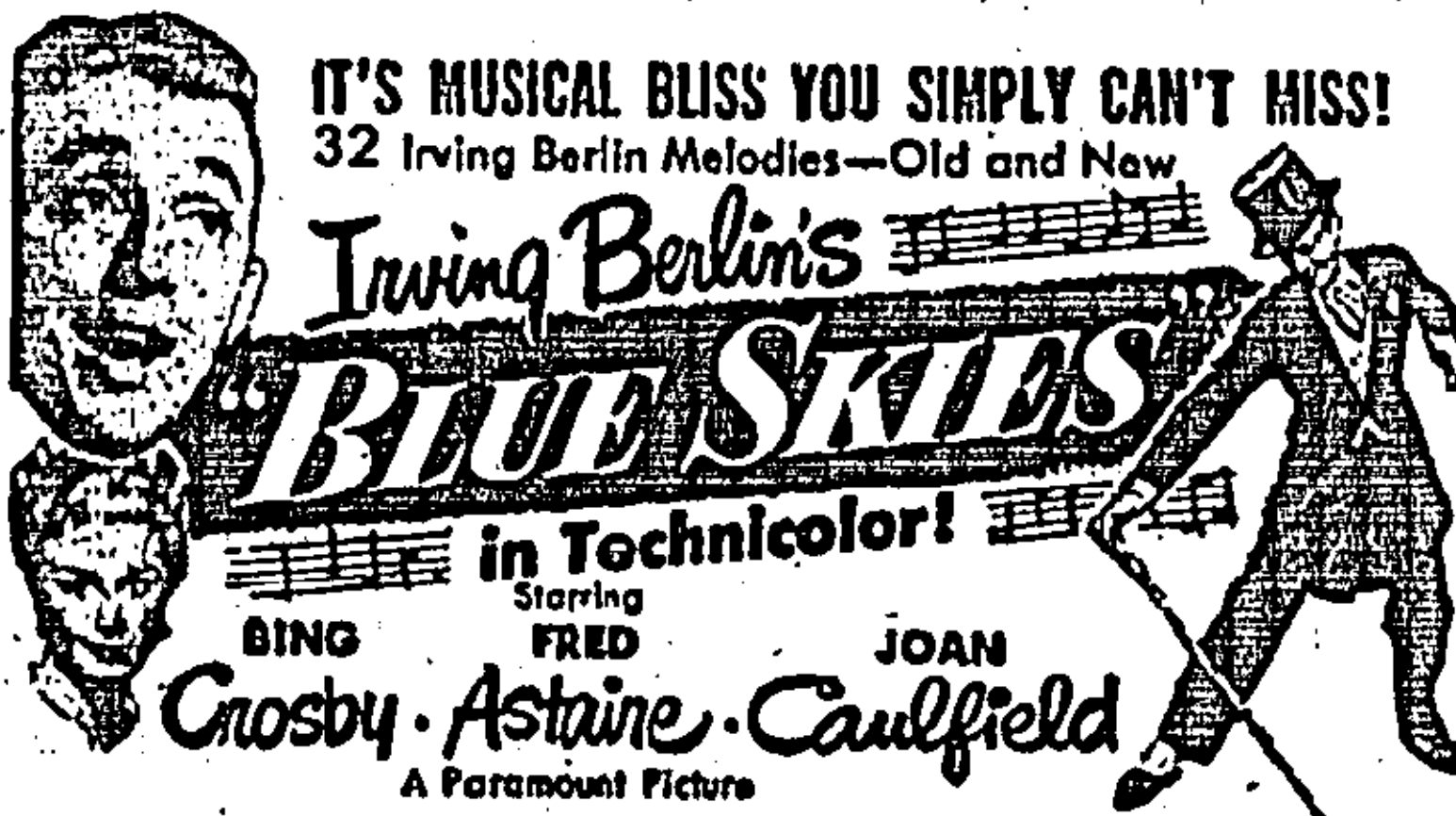


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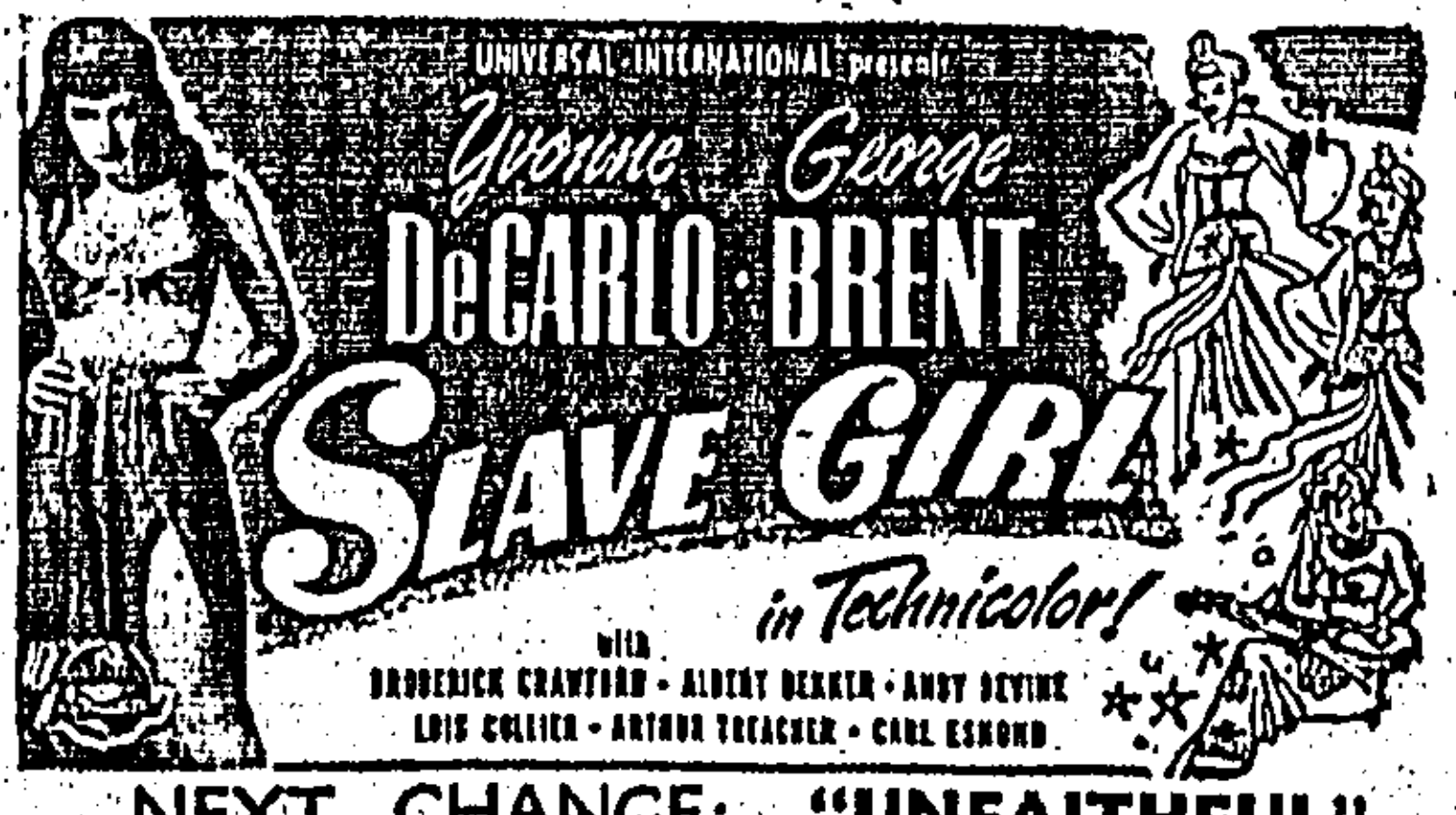
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NEXT CHANGE: "UNFAITHFUL"



Too few schools, Too many scholars, Too few teachers

by . . . KENNETH LINDSAY, M.P.
Parliamentary Secretary to the
Board of Education 1937-40

BRITAIN is now committed to raising the school-leaving age to 15 and is in the process of trying to find the accommodation and teachers necessary for this major operation.

At the lower end of the public education system there has been a large increase in the numbers of young children coming into the schools owing to the dramatic growth of the birth-rate during the war years.

We were assured by the Government that staffing and accommodation would be adequate to meet these requirements. All the facts were known.

'Temporaries'

Today these two problems are causing a new crisis in education which is giving a headache to administrators and throwing a great strain upon teachers, many of them untrained and inexperienced.

Indeed, no fewer than 6,000 are "temporary" teachers, awaiting entrance to emergency colleges.

It is true that the emergency colleges have trained, and are training, many excellent ex-Servicemen.

It is true that this year some 6,000 young women will be entering training colleges.

But it must also be remembered that virtually no men were trained for six years of war, that 2,000 teachers have left the secondary grammar schools since the war and that the birth-rate, plus the increased extra-year, will add nearly a million children to the school population.

Moreover, during the war 2,000 schools were destroyed. Thus the resources of local education authorities are now strained to breaking point in many parts of the country.

To cope with this problem, the Ministry of Education invented the phrase H.O.R.S.A. (Huts Operation Raising School Age) and commissioned from the Ministry of Works several thousand huts.

Where to go?

But, in fact, the building programme is out of gear, owing partly to the fuel crisis, partly to the shortage of materials and components.

Local education authorities are also empowered to find sufficient accommodation for the younger children and for new housing estates. But this has not been possible for the same reasons I have already enumerated.

We are, therefore, faced with shortages of teachers and accommo-

dation in both primary and secondary schools, varying in intensity over the country.

The Kent Education Committee admitted last December that "the country as a whole and Kent in particular are faced with a major crisis in primary education."

They hinted that they might have to delay entrance to the schools or go on a half-time basis.

This is a county with 1,100 classes containing between 40 and 50 children and no fewer than 150 classes containing between 50 and 60 children.

Birmingham has more than 2,000 classes with between 40 and 50 on the registers, and more than 500 classes with more than 50 pupils.

Southampton admits that by next July more than 1,000 children will have to be refused admission to infant schools.

In Nottingham, it is said that "the problems are not immediately soluble, and in the meantime the size of classes is too large to produce the best results."

In West Ham, children are not to be regarded as five years old until the end of the term in which they reach the age of five.

Nurseries

Some authorities have closed their nursery classes to make way for the infants.

In all, only 20,000 children, out of a total population of 2,000,000 between the ages of two and five, attend nursery schools, and every nursery school has a waiting list, sometimes with as many as 200 or 300 names.

London's school roll has grown by thousands, and an urgent appeal has been made for part-time women teachers.

Each authority has its own problems, and some are making gallant attempts to meet the emergency.

For example, Bristol has bought an Army camp for £20,000 and created a secondary school to house 1,000 children, who are brought in buses from the overcrowded schools of the city.

Manchester is improvising new curricula to meet the needs of the 14-15 age group, with shorthand, typing, book-keeping and current affairs. East Ham is appointing welfare assistants for infant schools to relieve the impossible demands being made on teachers with the

multifarious clerical duties and the superintendence of school meals, milk distribution, sick children, cloak rooms, and lavatories.

The position in Scotland is no better both as regards accommodation and staffing.

In some cases subjects have been dropped, and, in others, secondary school classes have been increased in numbers, while the teacher supply position is described as one of unrelieved gloom.

Stay-at-homes

It is difficult to estimate the increase in absenteeism, but I have heard of many cases in East Anglia and London where girls of 14 are kept at home to run the house and look after younger children while mother goes out to work.

Public interest was recently roused over the 100,000 children deprived of a normal home life, and the revelations of the Curtis Report.

There is now a Children's Bill passing through the parliamentary stages.

Public interest is, from time to time, aroused over juvenile delinquency, especially after some scandal in the courts or in the approved schools.

But what of the hundreds of thousands of ordinary normal children lacking any individual attention in large and unmanageable classes, the million children in schools not reorganised for secondary education, the 10 percent backward or retarded children who sadly need our special care?

Sixty percent of so-called delinquent children are high-spirited youngsters bored by lack of attention.

The Penalty

Are we not creating "problem children" and "delinquents" by our national neglect? The country will suffer for this neglect unless immediate steps are taken to face the facts and cease day-dreaming. The strain will also tell on the over-worked teachers.

I plead for a new sense of urgency, for a more enlightened administration backed by a more informed public opinion. The future of Britain is sitting uneasily at school.

Why is there a conspiracy of silence about facts which everybody ought to know?

There's money in their madness

by MILTON SHULMAN

PRESIDING over the pandemonium of "Hellzapoppin'" at the London Casino are two mischievous elderly inmates; 57-year-old John Sigvard Olsen and the 52-year-old Harold Ogden Johnson—more familiarly answering to the monosyllables Ole and Chic.

Messrs. Olsen and Johnson are not great comedians. Apart from the gravel-voiced assurance of Mr. Olsen and the high-pitched, nervous giggle of Mr. Johnson, they have no particular comic talents. But highly lucrative, wizardry in instinctively recognising the ridiculous in any given situation and exploiting it to the full.

IF you were to shut your eyes at "Hellzapoppin'," your ears would be assailed by a barrage of shouts, screams, snorts, grunts, groans, giggles, bangs, thuds, thumps, whoops, hoots and howls. Few words interrupt this onomatopoeic inventory. For wit plays little part in this kind of humour. It is almost exclusively visual and relies largely on split-second timing to achieve its effect.

Thus a request for Scotch-and-soda over the telephone brings it squirting through the mouthpiece; ships in pictures on the wall suddenly sink; tiny plants sprout into 6ft. sunflowers. Events follow on with the breathless precision of trapeze artists in mid-air. "A laugh is a very fragile thing," Mr. Olsen told me. "If it comes a moment too early or too late it is killed."

"Hellzapoppin'" is a 'propman's nightmare. At least six of them are in constant frenzy trying to keep almost 900 items in the right place while Messrs. Olsen and Johnson and their 20-odd stooges race about the theatre firing hundreds of cartridges, throwing eggs, fruit and vegetables at the audience and releasing dozens of mechanical contraptions designed to add more confusion to the general chaos. "Every night is a miracle," said Mr. Olsen. "Nothing else could make it come out right."

THE organisers of this brand of inspired slapstick have a solid Scandinavian background. Mr. Olsen's father was a Norwegian boiler-maker; Mr. Johnson's father was a Swedish tool-maker. When they first met in 1914 Mr. Olsen played the violin and did ventriloquism as part of a comic quartet; Mr. Johnson made funny faces and played the piano for a singer in vaudeville.

Their first performance together took place when they both happened to be in a cafe, and one of the scheduled acts failed to appear. Asked to fill in Mr. Olsen concentrated on imitating an engaged telephone signal. This harmonised delightfully with a synthetic wheeze developed by Mr. Johnson. They were an uproarious combination, and six weeks later they made it permanent. "We've been in a hell of a mess ever since," said Mr. Johnson.

For the next 24 years the partnership made a persistent and noisy pilgrimage through practically every

city and town in the United States—often playing as many as five performances a day. And in the process the act gradually took on the shape it possesses today. To attract crowds each city they visited was treated to some brush and unique publicity stunt. In Omaha a carload of monkeys was let loose in the centre of the city. In St. Paul Mr. Olsen appeared at an important social function in a coffin carried by four black-suited pall-bearers.

IN 1938 a New York theatrical producer decided to back them on Broadway. Every raucous, sure-fire gag they had ever known was introduced into this ambitious version of their act. The critics were not amused. "Its lapses from taste are almost as frequent as its lapses from interest," was one comment.

But how vigorously the public disagreed with the critics is shown in Olsen and Johnson's ledger sheets.



HALF THE STORY
Johnson

In 10 years the stage and film rights of "Hellzapoppin'" have grossed £2,375,000; its two subsequent editions, "Some Fun" and "Laughing House Only," have earned another £2,000,000.

Yet fame and fortune have left these two ageing extroverts practically untouched. They would still push a motorcar over Waterloo Bridge if they thought it would get a laugh. They are both devoted family men and each has an offspring as an active stooge in "Hellzapoppin'."

MR. OLSEN, the thinner and more intellectual of the two, devotes his spare time to his humour library, which contains about 25,000 books and magazines and 450,000 cross-indexed jokes. Mr. Johnson spends his off-stage hours on his 100-acre farm looking after his 30,000 chickens.

Humour is sometimes as subtle as a whisper; sometimes as raucous as falling downstairs. As successful exponents of the belly laugh Olsen and Johnson take their place at the noisy end of the comic scale. There they sit cheerfully holding their ears and their sides amidst the din.

REPORTING AMERICA

By C. V. R. THOMPSON

A TOWN in Ohio, Zanesville, has a novel method of interesting its youth in civic affairs. Every year the management of the city is turned over for a day to the winners of a mock election among students of the local high school.

But because of what happened this year, this practice may stop.

The schoolboy officials look their duties too seriously for the comfort of regular officials. Student Jack Harker, acting as police chief, made a gambling raid and caught eight men in the act. And the real police had not found a gambler in Zanesville for a year.

The "fire chief," Charles Cooper, aged 17, insisted on taking two of his colleagues to the high school. He ordered a practice fire drill, and it proved that had the danger been real not one student would have got out alive.

The three then ordered the school to be condemned as a fire-trap. It took school officials and Zanesville's real firemen two hours to break down their arguments.

Said Zanesville's City Superintendent: "When you turn youngsters loose in a job like that they are likely to do anything."

BY A VOTE of 7,000 to 100, a convention representing 6,000,000 Baptists in America's Southern States decided to rebuke President Truman for "playing politics with the Jewish vote."

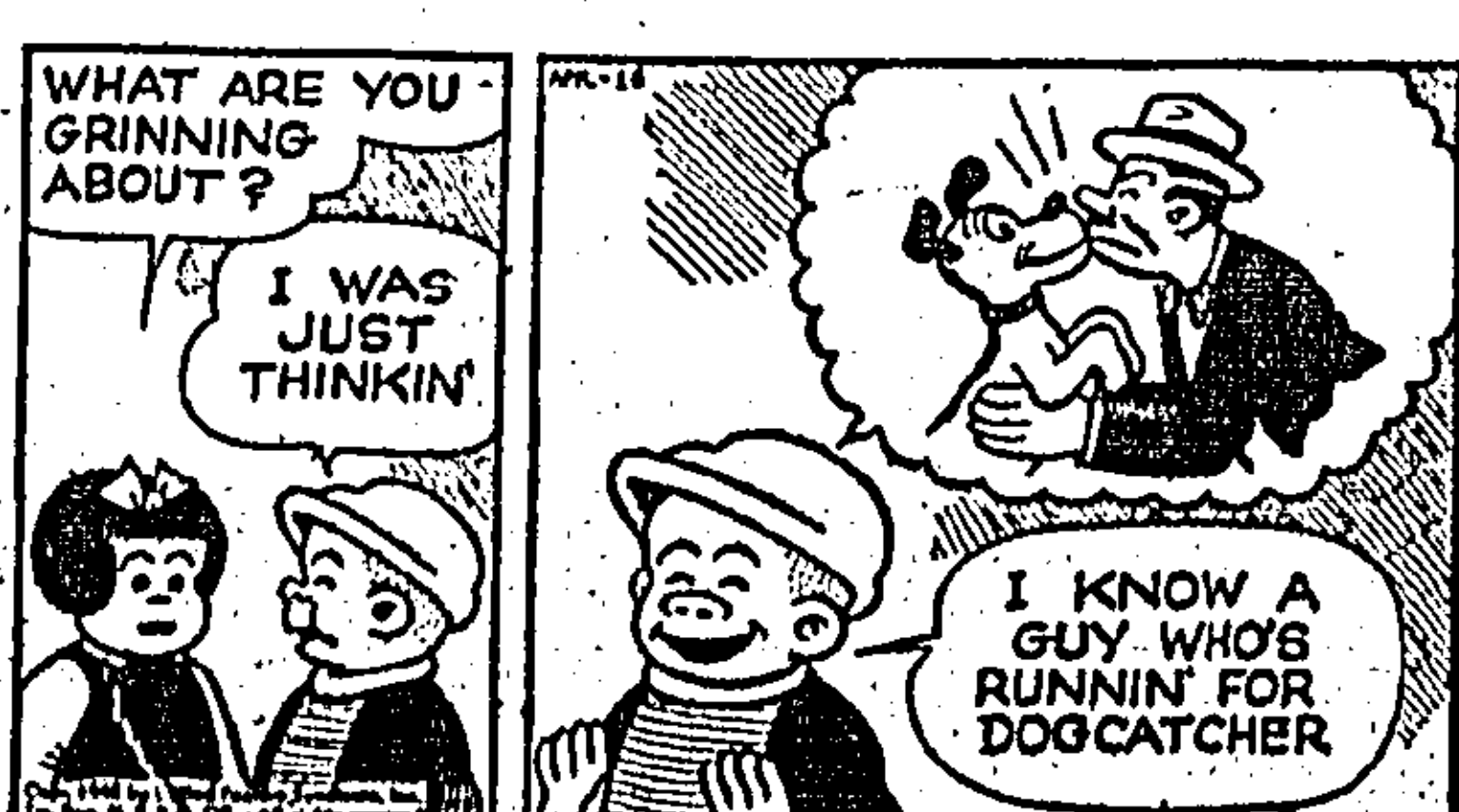
DURING a hot argument over a Bill for peacetime conscription in Congress, Walter Andrews, M.P. for New York, defended the army for the intelligence test it gives to all recruits. Said he: Any grammar school student could pass it. An opponent asked him the questions in the test. Andrews did not answer one.

FRANCE has dangled a new bait to tempt the dollar-spending American tourist from Britain. For £231 a four-door car, complete with two and a half gallons of petrol, a French driving licence, maps, petrol ration coupons, and export licence to permit the car to be brought back to New York, will be delivered to any hotel in Paris.

ONCE MORE they are asking Congress to do something for the ex-Servicemen. It's not the time, but generals under American law, a peacetime American Army can have only four full generals. This means demotion by June 30 for Generals Mark Clark, Thomas Handy, and Courtney Hodges. "Man and petty," says the American Press, calling for a rapid repeal of the law.

A VISITOR to Philadelphia for a non-political speech, President Truman smiled when he saw a placard reading "We Want Truman." But his smile froze when the crowd uncovered the full placard, which read: "We want Truman to nominate Eisenhower."

NANCY Part of the Game?



By Ernie Bushmiller



BUS CO. IS SUED FOR \$1.70

PLAINTIFF SEEKS A RULING

An order for payment of \$3.60 representing claim and costs was made by Mr Justice Gould at the Supreme Court this morning, in an action brought by L. J. Channing, plaintiff, against the China Motor Bus Co. Ltd, defendants.

The amount had been paid into Court by Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Masters on behalf of defendants with a denial of liability.

Plaintiff claimed that he had suffered damage by reason of defendants' breach of contract in failing to carry plaintiff from the Vehicular Ferry Wharf to Aberdeen on May 2, after having received from plaintiff 70 cents, consideration for the contract.

REASON FOR ACTION

Plaintiff claimed: damages of \$1 being the amount expended by him in procuring other means of conveyance to Aberdeen after defendants had failed to carry out their contract, and the return of 70 cents paid to defendants or such part of it as the Court thought fit.

When the case was called this morning, defendants did not put in an appearance, but plaintiff, appearing in person, said he hoped to obtain a ruling from the Court as to the rights and obligations of the defendant company. The action had been brought not merely for the sake of \$1.70, but for the principle involved, and in the interests of the public. Almost every day, buses of defendant company were breaking down in different parts of the Colony and passengers, who had paid their fares, were forced to make other arrangements, at their own expense, to reach their destination.

Mr Justice Gould replied that the rights and obligations of carriers had been decided in other Courts, but he was unable to make any ruling in the present instance as defendants were not contesting the case.

Two Gunners Admit Shopbreaking

Two gunners from the Royal Artillery appeared on remand before Mr Latimer at Kowloon Court today and admitted a charge of shopbreaking.

The soldiers were Norman Edwards, 18, and Dennis Maton, 25, who was also charged with receiving stolen property. Edwards was given 18 months hard labour while Maton was sentenced to six months.

"It's a most serious offence," remarked Mr Latimer when he imposed the sentence.

Inspector Baker, prosecuting, said that Cpl Wilson, of the Corps of Military Police, saw the two men walking towards Nathan Road, near Gun Club Hill. Edwards was carrying a leather suitcase and Maton was following behind. When they saw Cpl Wilson and his patrol, they threw the suitcase in the nearby bushes while they themselves jumped among some undergrowth to hide.

SUITCASE RECOVERED

Cpl Wilson and his party went to the scene and recovered the suitcase and later found the two defendants and took them to the Police.

When questioned, Edwards admitted having broken into the Matile Cheung shop in Gun Club Hill on the night of June 6 by forcing open the rear door. The articles of clothing and suitcase were stolen from a showcase the lock of which was also broken.

At the station Maton was searched and two pairs of nylon stockings were found in his pockets, while Edwards admitted having stolen the articles himself and asked his confederate to dispose of them for him.

The two soldiers, according to Lieut Whitney, had good military records. While Edwards only had three months' service, Maton was a veteran, having seen service in Italy during the last war.

Charged With Perjury

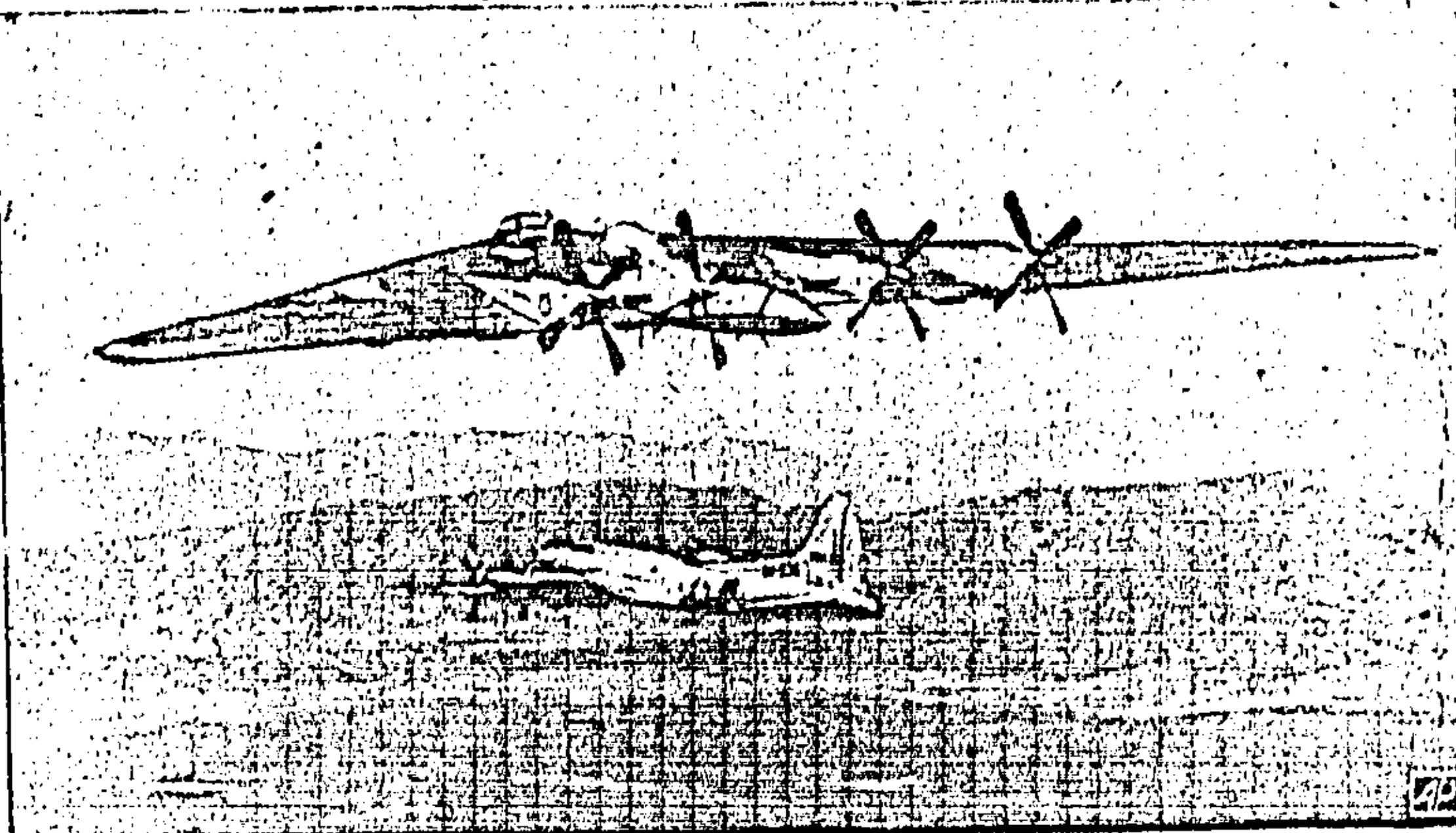
Shum Ka-cheung, 30, travelling trader, formerly chief inspector of the Fishery Department, was charged before Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning with perjury in connection with the case against the Four Fishery Inspectors on charges of conspiracy with the fish lanna some time in April.

It was alleged that on April 14, defendant being sworn as a witness in a judicial proceedings against Chan Kun-kau, Kwok Mok-hoi, Tso Wai-huen and Lee Koi-man, did falsely declare that he had not been instructed by Mr Jack Cater, Officer in Charge of the Fishery Department, to pay special attention to the incoming ferries from Tai-O and Cheung Chau.

Chief Detective Inspector Johnston of the Anti-Corruption Branch conducted the prosecution, while Mr Alfred Y. Hon appeared for the defence.

Bail of \$10,000 was allowed. Hearing of the case was fixed for July 19 and 20.

Flying Wing Dwarfs Flying Fortress



Winging swiftly over Southern California desert country, near Muroc, a 100-ton Flying Wing B-35 bomber scoots past a B-17 Flying Fortress, which was a heavy bomber of World War II standards. Giant bombers like the Wing have made the Fortress a "medium" bomber.—AP Picture.

3.37 Ins Of Rain In 12 Hours

Hongkong water shortage has benefited from the rain of the past two days.

From midnight till mid-day today, the rainfall recorded was 3.37 inches. The total in the past 36 hours is 5.33 inches.

Chopper Used In Man & Woman Fight

Cheung Shing, 24, was a maker of feather dusters, but he more than just "dusted" Tam Tat-kam, a 40-year-old female coolie, with a chopper at 10 Possession Street yesterday.

As a sequel, Cheung was charged with assault, causing bodily harm before Mr d'Almeida at Central this morning.

Tam was also charged with assaulting Cheung. Inspector Saunders said a call was received at the Police Station that a serious fight was going on at Possession Street. Two detectives were sent to the scene and they arrested defendants. The fight apparently arose out of a \$2 debt which first defendant had owed second defendant for a couple of weeks. Both defendants were sent to hospital for treatment.

HAD A FEW DRINKS

First defendant, with half his face swollen and bruised, said he had a few drinks and he held a chopper in his hand. When second defendant attempted to grab the chopper, he had a cut.

Second defendant said she asked first defendant for \$2 which he owed her. He refused to pay and challenged her, so she gave him "a couple of pushes".

Defendant's left hand was swathed in a blood-soaked bandage. "From what I can see, the fight must have reached quite serious proportions," remarked Mr d'Almeida.

Inspector Saunders said second defendant's hand had a two-inch cut and it started bleeding as soon as she returned from hospital last night, but she refused to go back to the hospital for further treatment.

"There's only one way of making her accept medical treatment," said Mr d'Almeida when he sentenced Cheung to three months and Tam to two months. Both of them were further bound over in \$50 for 12 months.

Opium Divans Raided

Three opium divans in Kowloon were raided by Police on Wednesday and altogether 31 persons, including three keepers, were arrested.

They were charged before Mr Latimer at Kowloon Court today.

The keeper of the den at 68, Wusung Street, first floor, was sentenced to three months without the option. He had a previous conviction for a similar offence 12 months ago.

The keeper of a divan next door, Tsai Ping, 59, of 70, Wusung Street, first floor, was fined \$510 or four months. The third keeper, Chan Po, 26, was fined \$410 or three months.

Of the 28 smokers arrested, three were absent from Court and they had their bail of \$50 each estreated. The remaining addicts were each fined \$30 or three days.

CONFISCATION OF GOLD BARS

Gold bars to the value of \$9,823.04 were ordered to be confiscated by Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning when a 20-year-old woman, Ng Wai-ching, failed to appear in answer to a charge of importing gold without a licence from the Superintendent of the Import and Export Department.

Revenue Officer J. Redman said the gold bars, weighing 29.88 tins, were found on defendant's person during a routine search at the Yuen On Wharf, Connaught Road Central, when the ss Kwong Sai arrived yesterday.

Defendant who was on bail of \$50 had her bail estreated.

Youth Escapes From Defective Handcuffs

BUT FREEDOM WAS SHORTLIVED

While being handcuffed to another young offender and on his way to the Police station on the Black Maria, young Chan Cheung-woo, 18, slipped his wrist through the "bracelets" which were defective, and jumped off the van to escape custody. He was chased and re-arrested by his detective escort.

When asked by Mr Latimer to enter a plea on the charge of escaping from legal custody, Chan replied: "Your handcuff is useless. Who wouldn't run away if he had a chance?"

Mr Latimer: It's natural enough. The prosecuting officer, Inspector Scraggs, told the Court that several other cases of escaping from legal custody had occurred before due to defective handcuffs.

Chan and another boy, Chau Tse-yuk, 17, were both arrested for larceny from a dwelling. The two were additionally charged with breach of the Deportation Order.

When eventually brought to the station and questioned, they admitted to the Police that they had climbed the drain pipe of the first floor of 58, Halphong Road where they stole clothing valued at \$58.

Both youths, according to Inspector Scraggs, had a very bad record which went back to their juvenile days.

Chan was sentenced to two years while Chau was given 18 months. They were both ordered to be re-banished.

Princess Anne Forfeits Church Rights

London, June 10.—Princess Anne of Bourbon-Parma, who married 20-year-old ex-King Michael of Rumania in the Royal Palace of Athens today by Orthodox rites, "virtually excommunicated herself" from the Roman Catholic Church, according to Vatican authorities.

The Royal bride, aged 24, who is a Roman Catholic, emerged radiantly happy from the ceremony—the culmination of a seven-month romance which began in London at the wedding of Princess Elizabeth—a Reuters Athens despatch said.

Archbishop Damaskinos, the Primate of Greece, celebrated the wedding with the colourful ritual of the Orthodox Church to which Michael belongs.

An eminent authority on Church Law at the Vatican Holy Office declared that Princess Anne had thereby broken three canons, Reuters reported from the Vatican City.

"The penalty of being cut off from the Sacraments enters into force at the moment of marriage without the necessity of her excommunication being officially announced," he added.

No official pronouncement on the wedding was expected in Vatican circles today and it was uncertain whether any formal excommunication would eventually be announced.—Reuter.

PHILIPPINES IMPOSE A BAN

Manila, June 11.—The Government has prohibited shipments of iron ore to Japan until a definite policy has been adopted on the question of restoration of Philippine-Japanese trade.

The Secretary of Commerce and Industry (Mr Placido Mapa) announced that any application for an export licence covering shipment of ore to Japan would not be approved.

Communications received by the Government regarding shipment of iron ore to Japan have been referred to the Committee on Philippine-Japanese trade relations, which will soon hold public hearings on proposals to restore Philippine-Japanese trade and report its findings to the Cabinet.—United Press.

Aid To China Must Be Supervised

Washington, June 10.—A strict supervision over the spending of the \$125 million proposed military aid to China was urged here today by Mr Kenneth Royall, the Army Secretary. He told the Senate Appropriations Committee inquiring into the aid, that, if the sum were made available as a grant, there was a great risk it would not be spent for the purpose intended.

"On the other hand," he said, "if we exercise too detailed a supervision of the military undertaking in China, there is a danger of us becoming quite intimately involved in the civil war—perhaps more than we want to."

He said the Army supported a State Department plan that the Chinese Government submit invoices supporting its request for payment and render monthly reports showing how the money was being spent.

PROPOSED SOLUTION

The Chairman of the Committee, Senator Styles Bridges, had asked Mr Royall whether the United States should supervise the Chinese military aid in the same way as its aid to Greece and Turkey, or whether the \$125 million should be handed over as an outright grant.

Referring to the State Department's solution, he said it was that the Chinese Government should be required to submit invoices or other documentation evidence in support of its request for payments.

Monthly reports would also be required showing how the money was being spent. "This gives a high degree of supervision without involving us too intimately with the military operations," he said.

Mr Royall disclosed that it was proposed to divide the \$125 million as follows: for Army aid—\$27,000,000; for Air Force aid—\$28,000,000; Navy aid—\$70,000,000.—Reuter.

Vatican Envoy Sued

Chicago, June 10.—Mr Myron C. Taylor, presidential envoy to the Vatican, and a friend, were sued today for \$2,000,000 by a Chicago woman who alleges that she is Taylor's illegitimate daughter.

Named as defendant with Taylor who is former chairman of the United States Steel Corporation, is Joseph A. Bennett, The Federal Court suit described him as a "friend and counselor" of Taylor.

The suit brought by Mrs Eunice Waltermann, 35, wife of a factory worker.

She said she sued "for the sake of my children," 13 year-old twin boys. Mrs Waltermann charges that Taylor and Bennett conspired to conceal that she was Taylor's illegitimate daughter and hindered her efforts to establish her parentage.

Mrs Waltermann said she discovered her parentage through an investigation started after she appealed to the late Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia of New York. She said she found she was born in a New York hospital on June 22, 1912.—Associated Press.

Chinese "Invasion" Of Siam

THOUSANDS ENTER ILLEGALLY

Bangkok, June 10.—Thousands of Chinese immigrants have been illegally entering Siam in recent months, according to reports in the Siamese press.

The papers urged stringent measures by the Government to halt "this menacing influx of aliens into the country."

According to official statistics, 15,276 Chinese entered Siam and 13,607 left the country during 1947. Immigration officials, however, conceded that the actual number of Chinese who came into Siam must be very much larger. They said that most of these illegal immigrants entered Siam through Indo-China. The press campaign against illegal immigrants followed the recent arrival of more than 1,000 Chinese passengers by the ship "Tai Posa" from Swatow. These passengers had no passports, or permits to enter Siam.

TO BE SENT BACK

It was reported that these Chinese passengers had intended to land in Indo-China and the ship, therefore, brought them to Bangkok. They are held by the authorities at the mouth of the Bangkok river. The Siamese authorities will eventually send them back to China, but, pending the necessary shipping arrangements, they are faced with the task of providing these one thousand people with living quarters and food.

Siamese public health authorities are also alarmed by the arrival of these immigrants from China. They fear that this unwashed humanity might have brought with them cholera germs which might cause an epidemic here.

According to the Siamese press, large numbers of Chinese from Yunnan have been coming into Siam across Burma and the Lao states of northern Indo-China and the Siamese immigration authorities have not been able to do anything about this "infiltration of unwanted aliens into the country."—Reuter.

PALESTINE CASUALTIES

Amman, June 10.—Military observers today estimated the casualties of the Jews and Arabs in their 26-day war at between five and ten thousand.

This estimate was considered conservative in contrast to the extravagant claims on both sides.

Observers said damage amounted to millions of dollars.

They said that although the Arabs, as the attackers, were supposed to suffer a three-to-one proportion of the casualties, the Arabs actually had suffered proportionately fewer losses.

This was due to lack of Jewish armaments, they added. The heaviest Jewish armaments were three-inch mortars, compared with the heavier Arab artillery and bombs.

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The mail for Iwakuni (Japan) which closed at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, June 9, has been delayed owing to bad weather and a supplementary mail will now close at 5 p.m. on Friday, June 11.

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FIRST TEST MATCH

ENGLAND ALL OUT FOR 165 RUNS

Laker And Alec Bedser In Ninth Wicket Stand

Trent Bridge, June 10.—England were dismissed for 165 runs in their first innings of the first Test match here today and when stumps were drawn the Australians had put on 17 runs without loss.

There can be no excuses. England were let down by their recognised batsmen when the first seven men mustered only 57 runs and eight wickets were down for 74.

Then came a dramatic recovery with 20-year-old Jim Laker, Yorkshire-born but nowadays a Surrey bowler, hitting 63, and Alec Bedser, one of the Surrey twins, knocking up 22 runs. The pair put on 89 runs for the ninth wicket and changed the picture.

It was Laker's highest score in first-class cricket and came when England's troubles were serious. By their display Laker and Bedser emphasised the immense efforts of those who had gone before, as both played the bowling easily.

Another personal triumph was enjoyed by Bill Johnston, the 23-year-old tall left-arm fast medium bowler from Australia, who in his first Test match against England bowled 25 overs with 11 maidens and claimed five wickets for 36 runs.

Miller and Lindwall also contributed to England's discomfort, although Lindwall retired later with a pulled muscle.

Miller bowled with particular speed and got rid of Hutton and Compton.

Only rain seems likely now to aid England for if the weather is fine Australia may well build up a mammoth score towards which their opening pair have already started in confident fashion.

Clouds lifted during the lunch interval, but it was soon obvious that the batsmen would have to proceed warily as there appeared to be some moisture on top of the wicket.

The light, however, was much brighter, but the bowlers commanded great respect.

With only two runs added England had another setback. Washbrook sweeping at legside off a ball from Lindwall being caught by Brown, who raced round the boundary edge to judge a high catch beautifully.

This brought Compton in, and the Middlesex Twins were there to try and stem the tide running against England.

As Edrich and Compton raised the score steadily towards the first 50, it seemed that the "Twins" were about to repeat one of their partnerships which have often saved England and Middlesex teams.

BRILLIANT FIELDING
Compton brought cheers from the crowd when he hit the first boundary of the innings, but it was noticeable that the Australian fielding was of a brilliantly high standard.

Lindwall changed ends, but the ease and confidence of the batsmen suggested the life had gone from the pitch.

Lindwall showed signs of tiring after a lengthy spell and Bill Johnston, who had been introduced to the attack, was switched to his end.

Compton sent him straight to the boundary with his favourite stroke, a full-blooded drive off the back foot over the top.

Toshack was at the other end, concentrating on the leg stump while employing a run-saving field.

Johnston seemed bent on attack and his switch to the other end proved a grand move for Australia.

He moved the ball either way and eventually beat Edrich, who played at a ball expecting it to swing away instead of which it came back and took his off-stump.

The Middlesex pair put on 31 valuable runs but without addition Johnston struck again when Hardstaff touched a ball well outside his stumps to be caught ankle high by Miller.

This was disastrous, but worse followed as Miller was brought back and he beat Compton with a fast leg break to make half the England side out for 40. Johnston's spell of five overs included three maidens and two wickets for six runs.

Lindwall returned later, but appeared to be worried by his groin and bowled only three-quarter pace. When Barnett was Johnston's next victim visions of a low England total loomed larger than ever, and at that time Johnston had had only nine runs scored off 11 overs (seven maidens) for three wickets.

Evans, England's wicket-keeper, was in no mood for defence, but he had some narrow escapes with his aggressive hitting. Brown twice missed a chance of catching him.

He was, however, taken by Morris off Johnston, and with Yardley out at the same total eight wickets were down for 74. Tea was taken after Laker had added one to that total.

LEFT TO THE TAIL
It was left to two recognised bowlers at the tail of England's team to show that the pitch could be trusted and the bowling hit. With nothing to lose and everything to gain, Laker and Bedser proceeded to more than double the England total. They passed the hundred mark safely and then, with Laker doing most of the hitting from all bowlers, the 150 was reached.

Laker became top scorer when he reached 20 and wasted little time in getting to his half century.

With the score at 103, meaning that 89 runs had been added for the ninth wicket, Bedser was out for a most valuable 22, caught by Brown off Johnston. This brought in Young for the last wicket in a bid to take the total to 200, a possibility which had never seemed likely at tea time.

It was not to be, however, for at 105 Laker touched a ball from Miller and the over-quiet Tallon snapped a catch. This finished the innings for 165. Laker's great effort of 63 met with the reception it deserved as he left

the pavilion and England's total was respectable after those shocks of the afternoon.

TEST SCOREBOARD

England—First Innings	
Hutton, b. Miller	3
Washbrook, c. Brown, b. Lindwall	6
Edrich, b. Johnston	18
Compton, b. Miller	19
Hardstaff, c. Miller, b. Johnston	19
Barnett, b. Johnston	0
Yardley, b. Toshack	3
Evans, c. Morris, b. Johnston	12
Laker, c. Tallon, b. Miller	63
Bedser, c. Brown, b. Johnston	22
Young, not out	1
Extras	10
Total	165

Bowling	
Lindwall	13.5 5 30 1
Miller	19 8 38 3
Johnston	25 11 36 5
Toshack	14 6 28 1
Inn Johnston	5 1 19 0
Morris	3 1 4 0
Byes, Leg byes	5
Australia—First Innings	0
Barnes, not out	10
Morris, not out	1
Extras	17
Total	28

for no wickets.—Reuter.

Australia had about ten minutes before the close of play for the first day and Barnes and Morris scored 17 runs without loss before stumps were drawn.

COUNTY CRICKET
London, June 10.—While England wickets were dropping quickly at Nottingham, Abdul Kardar, who was a member of the Indian team which toured England in 1946, in scoring a hundred against Middlesex became the first Oxford University player this season to reach three figures. Kardar carried his bat for 138 after a stay of two hours 35 minutes, and hit two sixes and 13 fours.

When Middlesex went in Kardar proved the most successful of the University's bowlers, and, taking six for 51, played the biggest part in forcing the county to follow on.

Rain made play impossible at Birmingham and Harrogate.

CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES
The close of play scores were:

At Harrogate: Somerset 110; Yorkshire 56 for 5. No play today.

At Birmingham: Worcestershire 172; Warwickshire 93 for 3. No play today.

At the Oval: Surrey 300 and 40 for 2; Lancashire 176 (Place 51).

At Hove: Nottinghamshire 310 (Brookes 179); Sussex 123 (Roderick 9 for 35) and 126 for 4 (John Langridge 50).

At Oxford: Oxford University 404 for 5 declared (Kardar 138 not out, Webb 55); Middlesex 115 (Robertson 39, Kardar 6 for 51) and 24 for 2.

At Ilford: Essex 405 (Vigar 103); Gloucestershire 251 (Crapp 94) and 75 for 5.

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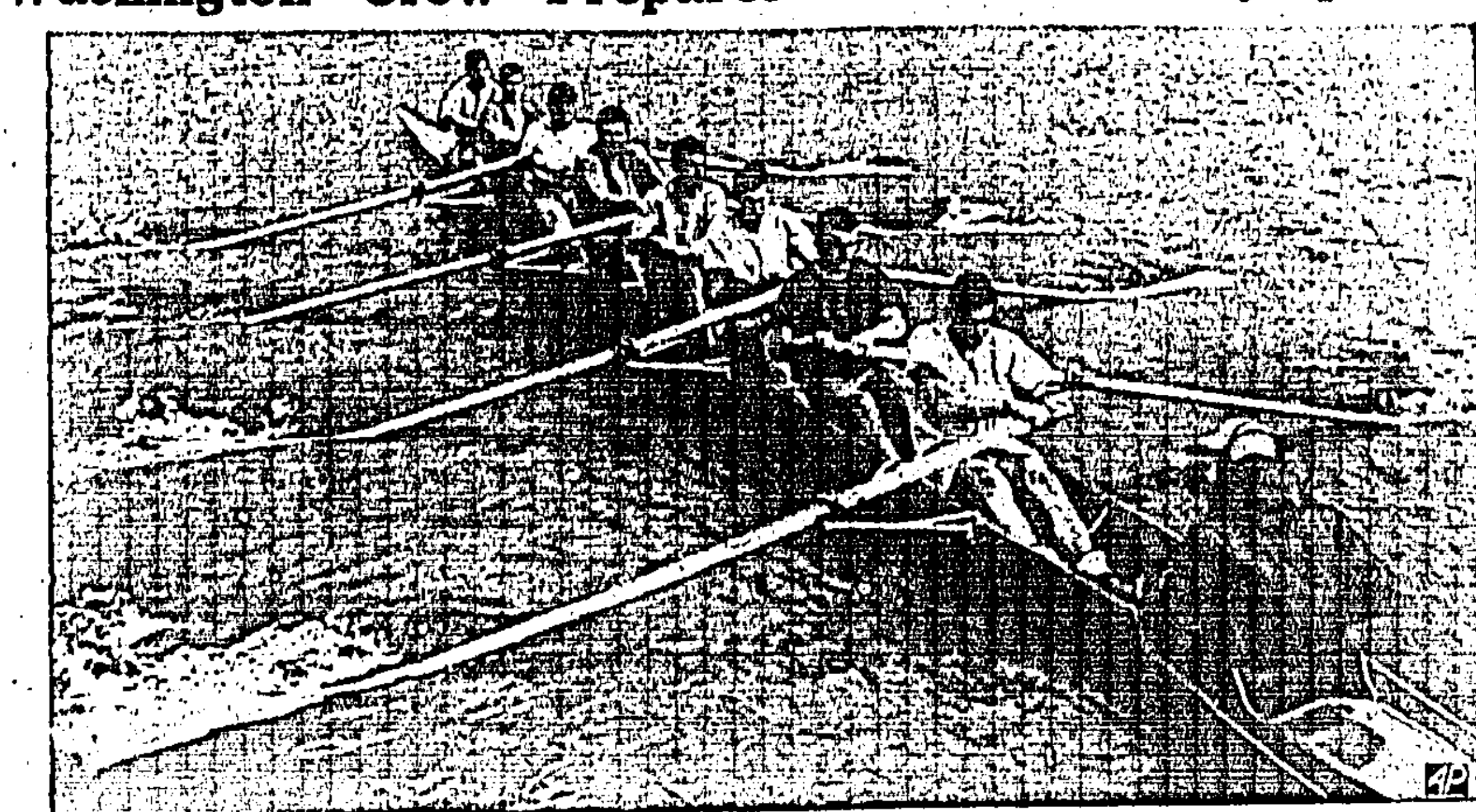
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Paul Raschid, who went up to Selwyn from St. Paul's, Darjeeling, three years ago, now works as a staid and steady Civil Servant for the Pakistan Government in this country. But life was not always quite so placid for this 21-year-old son of an Indian poet.

When his father died in poverty the tiny Raschid developed an acute inferiority complex—a state of affairs quickly and sturdily taken in hand by the English nuns who adopted him.

These good folk prescribed a punch on the nose—and their ward was introduced without ceremony to the gymnasium, whence he won the championship of his school.

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POLISHING UP
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